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Inventor(s)/Applicant Identifier: **Theo T. Nikiforov et al.**For: **DETECTION OF NUCLEIC ACID HYBRIDIZATION BY FLUORESCENCE POLARIZATION**

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☒ This application claims priority from each of the following Application Nos./filing dates: USSN 60/203,723 filed May 12, 2000, the disclosure(s) of which is (are) incorporated by reference.

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☒ 47 pages of the description (including specification, claims and abstract) ☒ cover sheet
☒ 21 sheet(s) of ☐ formal ☒ informal application ☐ a petition to extend time to respond in the parent application
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